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## DOOMED BANKER HOPES FOR END

Wealthy Georgian, Who Took Poison by Mistake, Expected to Die by Night.

### BIDS FRIENDS LAST GOOD-BY

Police Check Crowd in Front of Home in Macon as Death Creeps Nearer.

MACON, Ga., May 19.—Very weak, but still conscious, Sanders Walker, the wealthy young banker who is doomed to death by bichloride of mercury poisoning, was told by physicians today that they had exhausted their skill and that death probably would result by tonight from Mr. Walker's mistake in taking a bichloride tablet for a cold cure.

"I wish it were over now," Mr. Walker said.

### In Grip of Intense Pain.

Intense pains gripped the young man today. Since Thursday, the day he swallowed the tablet, Mr. Walker has been comparatively free from pain, save for a few hours suffering when the drug first began to take effect.

Now, however, with his kidneys "burned out," he suffers intense agony. When informed that death was likely today, Mr. Walker asked his physicians to summon his friends. He bade them good-by one by one, smiling in his pain, but an hour of this strain was too much and he collapsed, being revived later with difficulty.

The interest in Mr. Walker's extraordinary case drew a big crowd to his residence today. Hundreds waited out in front, and extra police were finally detailed to keep order.

Physicians here said that Mr. Walker's (Continued on Second Page.)

## POLICE CENSUS TO SHOW AN INCREASE

Capital Population Has Been Raised Three Thousand, Is Advance Report Figures.

Complete figures for the annual police census, taken the latter part of April, will probably not be enumerated until next week. Figures available up to the present time indicate a total increase in the population of the District of approximately 3,000, although these figures may be changed somewhat when all of the precincts are heard from.

The biggest increase is that of the Tenth precinct, which embraces practically the entire northwestern section of the city and suburban parts of the District lying beyond. The increase there is approximately 5,000, showing clearly that residential section is growing most rapidly in that direction.

The Tenth precinct, embracing practically the entire northwestern section, shows an increase of 1,500. This more than offsets the decrease of 1,400 in the Second precinct, bounded by First street north-east on the east, Fifteenth street north-west on the west, Q street on the north, and K street on the south. The south-west section shows a decrease, but figures are not yet available.

In the First precinct, which takes in the downtown business section as far east as Seventh street and the White House on the west, shows a loss in population of 721, while the Third precinct, which includes a large portion of the ultra-fashionable residential section, has a decrease of nearly 500.

Anacostia and the section of the District lying beyond the Eastern branch of the Potomac, in the Eleventh police precinct, lost 120 inhabitants during the last year.

Circumstances Seem to Indicate He Was Killed

PHILADELPHIA, May 19.—Jacob L. Robinson, fifty-four, a prosperous merchant, was found dead in his store early today under circumstances which point to murder. The dead man's head was jammed under an iron safe, a strap hooked about his neck, a heavy piece of kindling wood lay beside his body, and his pockets were turned inside out.

His wife, Annie, told the police that 1909 which he had received last night had disappeared.

A theory of suicide is scouted by both the police and family, but as yet no clue has been found to a possible murderer.

Texas Train Wrecked; Great Loss of Life

AUSTIN, Tex., May 19.—A southbound St. Louis-San Antonio passenger train on the International and Great Northern railroad was wrecked five miles south of here today. According to early telephone reports, several passengers, the engineer, and fireman were killed and many injured.

## College Policeman

### WASHINGTON GIRL IS COLLEGE POLICEMAN

Miss Katherine Williamson Will Help Look After the Wellesley Freshmen.

### MISS KATHERINE WILLIAMSON.

To be chosen a college "policeman" at Wellesley is the honor that has fallen to Miss Katherine Williamson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles J. Williamson, of 2015 Connecticut avenue.

And assuredly it is an honor in the eyes of everybody who knows anything about life at Wellesley, despite the prosaic title.

It means that Miss Williamson, who will be a senior next fall, will with eight others of her class, give up her cozy quarters in the college grounds to live with and be a confidante of the younger college girls. The college policemen are formally styled "village seniors" in their capacity under the student government these "policemen" have charge of the hundreds of freshmen in the fall, and are charged with caring for the younger girls, listening to their complaints and enforcing the college regulations.

### Cincinnati Strike

#### Is Near Settlement

CINCINNATI, May 19.—Developments during the last twenty-four hours of the street car strike indicated today that a settlement was likely before night. For the first time since the strike began, almost a week ago, Cincinnati Traction Company officials agreed to meet union representatives.

President W. D. Mahon, of the Amalgamated Association of Street and Electric Railway Employees, with other labor representatives and officials of the traction company, conferred today at the Hotel Hamilton.

Mayor Hunt announced today that pending negotiations for peace, he would ask for a postponement for the hearing of the receivership suit sued against the company Saturday. The company announced that no attempt would be made today to run cars.

Favorable report was made to the Senate by the Judiciary Committee on President Wilson's nomination of Charles A. Woods, of Charleston, S. C., to be judge in the Fourth Federal circuit, and Edward K. Campbell, of Birmingham, Ala., to be chief justice of the Court of Claims.

Charles against Woods filed by F. H. Duncan, of Columbia, S. C., to the effect that Woods is a political boss were discussed by the committee a week ago.

The House bill creating an additional judgeship for the Eastern district of Pennsylvania was approved.

Wilson Appointment Is Favored by Committee

President Wilson told callers today that he had not definitely decided on the appointment of any of the candidates for District Commissioner. The President had previously set a time for the naming of these appointments, and then had found that he was not ready to make the announcement.

It is believed, however, that the two District Commissioners will be appointed this week.

Mrs. Wilson Not to Speak on Alley Work

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British Spies Are Pardoned by Kaiser

BERLIN, May 19.—The Kaiser today pardoned Bertrand Stewart, Captain Trevel, and Lieutenant Brandon, British spies, who were detained in Germany as spies.

Stewart, a London solicitor, was arrested February 4, 1912, charged with spying on a naval port, and sentenced to three and one-half years.

Trevel and Brandon, of the British army, were caught spying on the North Sea coast, December 22, 1910, and sentenced to four years' detention in a fortress.

## DEBS TO KERN IN INQUIRY FIGHT

Prominent Socialist Has Made Personal Investigation of Coal Field Conditions.

### IS LIKELY TO BE WITNESS

West Virginia Governor and Mine Owners May Be Placed Upon Senate Grill.

Eugene V. Debs, the Socialist's four-time Presidential candidate, is on his way to Washington from the scene of the alleged abuses of miners in the Paint Creek and Cabin Creek regions of West Virginia. He will lay the result of his investigation before Senator Kern, who is the leader of the fight for a Senatorial inquiry into the West Virginia situation.

Mr. Debs has made a personal trip through the strike region. He has been looking into the allegations concerning the wrongs done the miners by guards and military, and concerning the military tribunal created by Governor Hatfield to take the place of the civil courts.

### To Make Suggestions.

Mr. Debs will make suggestions to Senator Kern, and probably to other Senators, as to the field that should be covered by the Senate investigation proposed by the Kern resolution. It is probable Mr. Debs will be a witness before the Education and Labor Committee when it conducts the proposed investigation.

The Senate took the Kern resolution up as unfinished business at 2 o'clock this afternoon. Senator Goff was expected to speak at some length.

Governor Hatfield and other prominent mine operators and other persons foremost in the coal strike situation in the Paint Creek and Cabin Creek regions, will be grilled before the Senate Committee on Education if the Kern resolution for an investigation is adopted.

Many Letters. Not only has Senator Kern been flooded with letters in behalf of an inquiry, but other Senators have also received large numbers of them. This is having an effect.

It is believed that the talk of a Senate investigation and the publicity given to the bad conditions in West Virginia have already tended to mitigate the oppression of the miners.

The Central Labor Union of this city will meet tomorrow night and will take up the West Virginia situation. Senator Kern is expected to speak.

Dispatches from Charleston say Governor Hatfield has announced there will be no end of martial rule until persons engaged in strike and turmoil end their lawlessness.

The governor has received threatening letters from persons claiming to be in the employ of the United States army, but he has not been intimidated from doing what he considers his "plain duty to all citizens."

Governor Hatfield to Continue Martial Law

CHARLESTON, W. Va., May 19.—Governor Hatfield announces that "no relinquishment of martial law will be made until those whose inclinations are to stir up new strife and turmoil end their lawlessness."

According to those close to the executive it became known that the governor has recently received threatening letters.

Found necessary to guarantee peace and tranquility, added the governor. "No intimidation or threats can deter me from carrying out my plain duty to all citizens."

May Call Tumulty as Letter Case Witness

NEWARK, May 19.—Joseph P. Tumulty, Secretary to President Wilson, may be called as a witness in the trial of Jacob Dunn and Seelye Davenport, charged with sending threatening letters to the President.

The trial opened here today with United States Attorney John R. Vineland prosecuting the case.

It is charged that Dunn and Seelye sent letters to President Wilson after the election demanding that he leave \$500 in gold for them in a deserted cabin in the mountains. The letters did not reach the then President-elect, but were opened by Tumulty. The defendants are illiterate and have little money.

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## Gets Tardy Medal for His Bravery



CAPT. LOUIS J. VAN SCHAICK.

## CAPT. VAN SCHAICK GETS HONOR MEDAL

President Himself Pins Badge on Breast of Soldier Who Won After Many Failures.

In the presence of Maj. Gen. Wood, chief of staff of the army, and other representatives of the War Department, President Wilson today pinned the Congressional medal of honor on the breast of Capt. Louis J. Van Schaick for gallant action in the Philippines.

Representing the army, besides General Wood, were Brigadier General Garlington, Inspector general, and Brigadier General Mills, chief of the division of military affairs.

In making the presentation, President Wilson said that nothing that came within the line of his official duties had given him more pleasure than to present the medal of honor for duty fearlessly done. The presentation occupied but a few minutes and at its close the President added his personal congratulations to the official emblem he had presented to Captain Van Schaick.

Captain Van Schaick's success came after repeated failures. In 1896 he failed in a competitive examination at West Point. Two years later he obtained a reappointment and again failed in mathematics. This was just at the opening of the Spanish-American war and Van Schaick was given an appointment as lieutenant in the regular army, but not before he had been through a technical question of eligibility. A year later, getting another appointment, he succeeded in passing the examination and was made a second lieutenant and sent to the Philippines.

But if he had failed in examinations Van Schaick was not found wanting in valor on the field. He had not been long in the service until, when scouting with twenty men in a canyon, he little command encountered a band of 200 Filipinos. Retreat would have been disastrous and Van Schaick led his company in a charge and although only armed with revolvers, the islanders were routed, half a dozen killed and twenty prisoners taken. Van Schaick was wounded in the arm with a bolo and spent a year in the hospital.

Congress voted the Congressional medal for this piece of gallantry. Van Schaick in the meantime advanced from the rank of lieutenant to that of captain. The medal he received today is not the only one he wears. He was given the gold medal for saving life after rescuing two soldiers from a Philippine stream.

Captain Van Schaick is a brother of the Rev. John Van Schaick, Jr., of Washington.

Society Woman Fined For Smuggling Goods

TRIDENT, N. J., May 19.—A fine of \$2,000 was imposed upon Miss Agnes Mangels, a society woman of San Francisco, by Judge Gross, in the United States court today. Miss Mangels was charged with smuggling into this country a quantity of merchandise valued at \$2,000.

At the time the goods in question were seized at Hoboken, a few days ago, Miss Mangels had just arrived from abroad on the steamer America. She was accompanied by her niece, Miss Agnes Filmer. When the women arrived in court today it was stated that there was no charge against Miss Filmer.

With the paying of the \$2,000 fine on the goods, Miss Mangels was parted with \$3,000 in duty, fine and costs in connection with the bringing into this country of goods with an appraised value of \$5,000.

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Conscience Fund Gets \$164.

An (alike) widow who had "promised" to make return to the Government for a sum of money that she had wrongfully received, has after many years, paid her conscience. A letter was received by the Secretary of the Treasury from this widow, enclosing \$164 in bills.

## NEED \$3,000,000 TO CLEAN SLUMS

"Mrs. Wilson Is in Move Heart and Soul," Is Announcement Made by Secretary.

### UFFORD OUTLINES HIS PLANS

If Congress Refuses to Aid in Work, Changes of Alleys to Streets to Be Asked.

Spurred to action by Mrs. Woodrow Wilson's aid, charitable and civic organizations are planning to urge Congress to eliminate Washington's blind alleys.

"Mrs. Wilson is in this movement heart and soul." This was the message from her secretary today which caused sociological workers to take life in the fight for a clean-up of the slums.

### Want System.

Walter S. Ufford, secretary of the Associated Charities, outlined for The Times this afternoon the methods to be pursued:

"If Congress does not take the initiative, acting on the example set by the President's wife, the National Civic Federation, the Associated Charities, and other organizations will ask that a comprehensive, systematic plan be devised for changing Washington's alleys into minor streets and for the construction of sanitary homes.

An appropriation of \$3,000,000 is estimated by Mr. Ufford, would be sufficient to accomplish much—perhaps the entire work.

Congress will be asked to approve the findings of former President Roosevelt's Homes Commission which recommended as the principal method of solution the conversion of alleys into minor streets.

If, however, Congress does not consider the present surveys as data sufficient, it will be urged to proceed anew. Above all, it will be asked to give speedy action.

In Congressional circles today, it is freely predicted that Mrs. Wilson's personal interest in the problem will be the lever for early action.

To Introduce Bills. The first steps in the crusade will come tomorrow when bills will be introduced in Congress, asking for the complete elimination of Goats Alley, Snow's court, and the substitution of little parks.

These blind alleys, perhaps the worst in Washington, were inspected by Mrs. Wilson, Mrs. Archibald Hopkins, of the National Civic Federation, and other social workers in company with several Congressmen.

In both of these alleys today there is a real death rate for children and there is nevertheless, the complaint that wages are too low to permit of better housing. The place was inspected by Mrs. Wilson, Mrs. Archibald Hopkins, and other social workers in company with several Congressmen.

In Snow's court, back of Twenty-fifth street northwest, an open sewer flooded one of the new lanes. A dead chicken near by added to the general offensiveness of the place. The place was littered with all sorts of rubbish. Flies were abundant. Here in this breeding ground for disease, scores of children live—and die.

Mr. Ufford today pointed out that the alley death rate for children would be about 250 per 1,000, whereas on the streets, 150 die. Tuberculosis claims many of the babies. Crime flourishes. Mr. Ufford declares it is practically impossible for a policeman to make a thorough canvass of these alleys, because of the "blind" turns.

Mrs. Archibald Hopkins tells of a case of diphtheria in one of these hidden alleys, which might have spread to the homes of the rich not far away had she and her husband not discovered it and taken immediate action.

Urges Conversion. Figures gathered under the direction of Dr. Thomas Jesse Jones, chairman of the housing committee of the Monday Evening Club, show that in the 275 alleys there are on the average of 124 houses sheltering an average of 15 persons. His suggestion for a change in the problem is the complete elimination of dwelling houses in the smaller alleys and the conversion of the larger alleys into minor streets.

In cases where new homes have to be erected the plan is to build a system of tenement houses. This plan calls for the collection of rent through sociological workers who give advice on housekeeping sanitation. And other points needed in the fight against the slum.

Mr. Ufford said this afternoon that he believes Mrs. Wilson's interest in the slum problem will be the means of getting action in Congress after years of more or less ineffectual attempts.

Moreover, if Congress does not take the initiative, declares Mr. Ufford, organizations interested in the problem stand ready to make a concerted campaign to bring about the desired results.

New York Judge Slated For Diplomatic Place

Practical assurance that Justice J. W. Gerard, of the New York supreme court, would be given an important diplomatic post abroad, in Congress after years of honorable service, was given today by Senator Kenyon as President Wilson, when he called at the White House to urge Gerard's appointment to the diplomatic corps.

## On School Board

### BANKER APPOINTED TO EDUCATION BOARD

William T. Gallier Is Named to Succeed Capt. J. F. Oyster by Justices.

### WILLIAM T. GALLIER.

William T. Gallier, president of the American National Bank, was appointed a member of the Board of Education by the justices of the District Supreme Court this afternoon, to succeed Capt. James F. Oyster, who resigned several months ago. The unexpired term runs for one year.

Henry P. Blair, president of the board, was reappointed for a term of three years. Mrs. Edith Klumman Kern was also appointed for three years. Dr. C. W. Childs, colored, was appointed for three years, to succeed P. R. Horner, colored.

In the reorganization of the Board of Education, it is expected that Mr. Blair will succeed himself as president.

### Schwab Bares Deals

#### Made by Steel Trust

NEW YORK, May 19.—Charles M. Schwab, chairman of the Bethlehem Steel Corporation, was the feature witness in today's hearing of the Government suit against the United States Steel Corporation. Schwab said he entered the steel business in 1890, and told in detail of the various positions he has held since that time.

After Schwab told of his resignation from United States Steel in 1902, and a year later acquired control of Bethlehem Steel, he told of the two unsuccessful attempts to sell United States Steel to Standard Oil.

Standard Oil. Schwab said that he had been attracted by the young woman's cries for help. Climbing up the fire escape, he assisted her to the alley in the rear of the building. Ryan first entered the building to see if it was safe to go down by the regular way, but the smoke was thick in the halls and corridors that both would probably have been overcome had they tried it.

Chief Frank J. Wagner was among those who overpowered the fire. He was carried to the Emergency, but was soon revived, and returned to the scene of the fire, where he resumed the work of directing the men, and remained on duty until the fire was out.

Pressman a Hero. C. S. Ryan, a pressman on The Washington Times, proved himself a hero just after the fire, discovered by assisting Miss M. J. Dickman, a clerk in the Geological Survey, who was at work on the fifth floor of the building, and unable to leave by the stairway or elevator because of the dense smoke, down the fire escape in the rear of the building.

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Fifth Fire in Ten Years. The fire, the fifth serious blaze that has occurred in the old Hooe building in ten years, was another striking example of the necessity for furnishing adequate protection against fire of the valuable records of the Geological Survey, a conservative estimate of the value of which is \$5,000,000. Many of these records could not be replaced.

George Otis Smith, the director of the Geological Survey, said today that the fire was being pointed out the danger from fire, and about two years ago, a Congressional committee made a careful investigation of the building, with a view of appropriating money for a new home for the survey.

Chief Wagner said today that the flames got above the basement he does not believe the department would have been able to save anything. In the rear of the building is the "annex" of the survey, an old building with almost no protection against fire, so far as construction goes, in which are kept practically all of the engraved copper maps.

Need Of New Hospital Shown. The fire also furnished an object lesson for the urgent need of a new Emergency Hospital, with adequate facilities for handling a number of emergency cases at the same time. With the limited facilities of the old institution at Fifteenth street and Ohio avenue already taxed, the institution was called upon to treat fourteen men who had been overcome by the gas in the basement of the burning building.

Dr. Harry S. Lewis, the superintendent, hurriedly had cots put up in every available space, some even in the corridors.

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Manufacturers' Body Takes Up Tariff Issue

DETROIT, May 19.—A full discussion of the tariff and other problems confronting the Wilson Administration was scheduled for the opening session of the National Manufacturers' Association this afternoon, despite the fact that such discussion was in violation of all precedents of the organization.

President John Kirby, Jr., of Dayton, declared the convention in order at the Hotel Ponchartraine this afternoon, nearly 700 delegates representing a total capitalization of more than \$100,000,000 and employing approximately 7,000,000 men, were present.

IN CONGRESS TODAY.

SENATE. Met at noon. Democratic caucus calls off pairs of executive sessions, thus practically compelling presence of a quorum. Senator Kenyon introduces "no shelter to monopoly" amendment to tariff bill. Mrs. Longstreet before Postoffice committee. Postoffice deficiency bill discussed. Two will confer with Senator Kern on West Virginia situation.

## TWENTY FIREMEN WILL RECOVER

Inhalation of Escaping Gas Will Not Be Fatal to Men of Department.

### PRESSMAN SAVES WOMAN

Close Calls Show Urgent Need for New Emergency Hospital in District.

After a thorough investigation of the damage done by fire to the old Hooe building, F street, between Thirteenth and Fourteenth streets, which imperiled the lives of twenty firemen and for a time threatened the destruction of more than \$5,000,000 worth of maps, engravings, charts, books, and other records of the Geological Survey, Fire Marshal Nicholson this afternoon estimated the total loss at approximately \$75,000.

Of this amount \$60,000 is to the Geological Survey, and, like all other Government property, was not protected by insurance.

Not Spontaneous Combustion. The cause of the fire, the marshal said, was crossed electric wires and not spontaneous combustion, as at first supposed.

The other damage was as follows: Building, owned by Willard estate, \$8,000; American Express Company, \$1,000; Albert Leavay, Japanese banner, \$2,000; Becker's Leather Goods Company, \$200.

All of the firemen who were overcome by escaping illuminating gas caused by the melting of a 24-inch lead feed pipe connected with a meter in the basement of the building were reported today to be well on the road to recovery. Private William Schwerdtfeger, of No. 6 engine company, who became suddenly ill at the scene of the fire, was taken to the Casualty Hospital in a serious condition as the result of inhaling the gas, was reported this morning to be greatly improved.

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